

Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, March 15, 2022)
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Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy
Commissioner Eric Colvin
Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Commissioner John E. O'Connor
David Weiskopf, Interm County Administrator
ALisa Casas, Communications Director, Public Information Office

Commissioner President Guy called the business meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to order at 9:02 a.m. in the Chesapeake Building Meeting Room, Governmental Center.

Approval of Consent Agenda

I move to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes the Minutes of March 8, 2022, as presented.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

2. PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamations were presented for:

- A. National Social Work Month
- B. Equal Pay Day

3. MAIN AGENDA ITEM

A. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - Decision - Supplemental Appropriation Ordinance

I move to approve the supplemental appropriation ordinance in the amount of \$4,000,000 for the appropriation reserve and the budget amendment and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Eric Colvin, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

B. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY - Decision - Resolution to Establish the St. Mary's County Police Accountability Board and St. Mary's County Administrative Charging Committee

MOTION: I move that the Commissioners of St. Mary's County adopt the Resolution establishing the St. Mary's County Police Accountability Board and the St. Mary's County Administrative Charging Committee and execute all related documents.

The vote was postponed to a future date.

4. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR MARCH 22 AND 29, 2022.

B. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - UMD UAS Donation

I move to accept the donated retired UAV Solutions Talon 240G Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) vehicle to suspend in the Walter Francis Duke Airport Terminal.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

C. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - FY2023 St. Mary's Transit System Annual Transportation Plan (ATP) Grant Application

I move to approve the FY2023 St. Mary's Transit System Annual Transportation Grant Application to the Maryland Transit Administration in the amount of \$3,228,210 for operating and capital programs and authorize the Department Director to submit the ATP electronically, consistent with the reviewed documents reviewed by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County and authorize the Commissioner President to sign any related documents.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

D. DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS - TRAVEL, TOURISM & OUTDOOR RECREATION PROGRAM - Application

I move to approve Recreation and Parks' submittal of an online application for grant funding for a new Water Taxi through the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration's American Rescue Plan: TRAVEL, TOURISM & OUTDOOR RECREATION PROGRAM.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

E. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - Bay District Volunteer Fire Department (Bay District VFD) Request for \$460,000 Loan under the Fire & Rescue Loan Fund Program

I move to approve and authorize staff to prepare the necessary loan documents for a seven-year loan for the Bay District Volunteer Fire Department in the amount of \$460,000 from the Fire & Rescue Revolving Loan Fund, to assist in the purchase of a new 2021 Pierce Arrow XT Pumper, and authorize the Commissioner President and staff to execute the necessary documents, with the understanding that the County Attorney will have approved them for legal sufficiency prior to execution of the documents.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

F. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - Approve Employment Contract

I move to approve the employment contract for the Chief, EMS Career Operations as presented and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, O'Connor
Nay: Commissioner Morgan

5. LEGISLATION

A. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY - Legislative Updates

I move to oppose HB 1353 - Omnibus Procurement Reform Act ("OPRA") of 2022 and approve and authorize the Commissioner President to send a letter of opposition to House and Senate Committees for hearings on these bills.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

6. COMMISSIONERS' TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events attended over the past week and provided general comments.

MOTION TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

I move to enter into Closed Session to discuss Personnel.

Motion by Commissioner Eric Colvin, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O' Connor

7. CLOSED SESSION

A. PERSONNEL

Present: James R. Guy, President
Eric Colvin, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
Catherine Pratson, Director Human Resources
David Weiskopf, Interim County Administrator
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(1) of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 12:04 p.m. - 12:25 p.m.

Location: Commissioners Meeting Room

Purpose: To consider or discuss the assignment, promotion, resignation, salary, demotion, dismissal, reprimand, or appointment of a member of a public agency.

8. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:25 pm.

Minutes approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on March 22, 2022.

JB

Julie Burch, Senior Admin Coordinator

9. BUDGET WORK SESSION

Prior to the Budget Work Session, the following motion was made from Closed Session.

MOTION IN OPEN SESSION

I move to approve a pay adjustment for the Emergency Services Full Time Paramedic Supervisors as requested.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Morgan, O'Connor

Nay: Commissioner Hewitt

A. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - FY2023 Budget Work Session for County Department Budget Requests, Compensation, and Universal Fees

Present: Jeannett Cudmore, Chief Financial Officer
Jody Quasney, Deputy Director

10. ADJOURN